



DE-CW3007

Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



October 15, 2007

Small amounts of rain this week

Delaware farmers received a small amount of rain this week but still had **7.0 days suitable for field work** for the week ending October 14, 2007. Needed rain allowed small grain planting to proceed.

Barley planted is 48 percent and **Winter Wheat** planted is 15 percent. **Barley** condition 0% very poor, 0% poor, 36% fair, 54% good, 10% excellent. **Winter Wheat** condition 0% very poor, 0% poor, 48% fair, 52% good, 0% excellent

Soybean condition is rated 23 percent very poor, 36 percent poor, 19 percent fair, 20 percent good and 2 percent excellent. **Corn** harvest is winding down and **Soybean** harvest is starting up. **Corn** harvested for grain is 75 percent and **Soybeans** harvested is 22 percent.

Pastures are rated 31 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 14 percent good and 1 percent excellent. **Hay** supplies were 38 percent very short, 43 percent short, 18 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 14, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
Percent				
<u>Field Crops</u>				
Corn Harvested for Grain	75	63	76	83
Soybeans Dropping Leaves	71	52	79	75
Soybeans Harvested	22	8	14	11
Barley Planted	48	31	46	48
Winter Wheat Planted	15	5	15	21
<u>Hay</u>				
Alfalfa Hay 4 th Cutting	67	64	89	75
Alfalfa Hay 5 th Cutting	19	18	10	14
Other Hay 4 th Cutting	55	50	44	46

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 14, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average
Very Short	3	38	-	18	24	-
Short	41	54	-	58	66	-
Adequate	56	8	-	24	10	-
Surplus	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 14, 2007

	Precipitation ¹			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.13	23.56	-8.84	94	40	68	10
Frederick	0.45	26.93	-4.35	89	39	64	11
Frostburg	0.49	32.67	-4.93	82	35	57	7
Hagerstown	0.19	19.80	-10.81	89	41	65	9
Mechanicsville	0.23	23.38	-12.61	88	43	67	9
Patuxent River	0.28	21.78	-12.01	93	45	70	12
Ocean City	1.33	22.95	-13.08	91	42	68	9
Salisbury	0.82	23.00	-13.63	92	35	66	8
Sharpsburg	0.02	24.76	-6.52	92	35	64	10
Stevensville	0.78	25.52	-8.04	91	41	68	10
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.00	21.72	-9.04	94	49	71	10
Delaware							
Dover	0.94	25.91	-9.84	90	43	67	8
Georgetown	1.09	23.50	-11.78	91	40	67	10
Wilmington	2.30	31.61	-0.93	90	41	66	9

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M on recorded date
Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.